

Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request: Allen FOIA memo

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To Whom It May Concern:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

This request seeks any documents and written or electronic communications, including attachments, that were sent or received by former BLM communications director Michael Allen and that pertain to the agency's decision to begin sending FOIA requests to political appointees before releasing the results to the public. The agency's decision that I refer to was described in a recent New Yorker article, here: <https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2018/05/21/trump-vs-the-deep-state> This request seeks records produced between August 1, 2017 and the date this request is processed.

I am a reporter for Pacific Standard magazine.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Jimmy Tobias

Exhibit H